

## Iron County Register.

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LEWISTON, MONTANA

A decision of the New York supreme court, rendered on the 25th, holds that bookmakers are liable for money lost on races by their patrons.

Lord Rosebery addressed two large meetings in London, on the 25th, in opposition to the fiscal policy proposed by former Colonial Secretary Chamberlain.

The senate, late on the 23d, agreed to make the Cuban reciprocity bill the regular order on December 7, the first day of the regular session, and to vote on it December 16.

Augustus H. Burley, one of Chicago's first citizens, both in point of length of residence and public spirit, died, on the 27th, of heart failure, superinduced by old age.

Senator Daniel, of Virginia, on the 27th, introduced a bill in congress appropriating \$5,000,000 for a patent office in Washington, D. C., to be erected east of the capitol, the site to cost \$600,000.

Dr. Henry W. Kendall, a prominent physician and resident of Quincy, Ill., and vicinity since 1853, died on the 25th, aged 72 years. He was surgeon of the Fifth Illinois infantry during the civil war.

The Colorado national guard is aiming for a long fight with the lawless element in the mining centers of the state. New rifles have been received from the federal government, and two new regiments are being recruited.

Peter Elliott, the Minneapolis (Minn.) crank who was arrested in Washington, D. C., while attempting to force his way into the president's presence, escaped, on the 27th, from the insane asylum at St. Peter, Minn.

T. N. Hooper, president of the Colfax Northern railroad, and formerly superintendent of the Des Moines division of the Great Northern railway, died at Des Moines, Ia., on the 24th, of malarial fever, aged 36 years.

The White House was put in mourning, on the 24th, on account of the death of the president's uncle, James K. Grace. It was announced that there would be no social entertainments until the cabinet dinner on December 7.

Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, introduced in congress, on the 27th, a bill providing a special copyright procedure for the protection of foreign artists and literary exhibits and musical works at the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

Mrs. Averet Mallory Culver, daughter of Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, has been sued for \$500,000 by Mrs. Solon J. Vlasto, of New York city, who alleges that the multimillionaire's daughter alienated her husband's affections.

A northwest storm of great violence swept over Lake Erie on the 24th. The wind reached a velocity of 55 miles an hour and a tremendous sea was kicked up. The steamer Portage, with her machinery disabled, was towed into Cleveland harbor.

Israel Zangwill, author, and Edith Ayton, daughter of W. E. Ayton, president of the Institute of Electrical Engineers, were married, on the 26th, at a registry office in the east end of London. Many distinguished novelists and theatrical persons were present.

The funeral of the 28 victims of the holocaust at Lilly, Pa., took place on the 23d. One dozen coffins were used, in some of which the remains of two and three victims were placed. Two of the injured died in the hospital, making a total of 30 as the result of the fire.

Representative Wiley, of New Jersey, introduced a bill in congress, on the 24th, to provide for clean paper money, by repealing the assessment on national banks for returning used currency for redemption and prohibiting the reuse of used currency by the treasury.

At the thirteenth meeting of the Southern Illinois Horticultural society, at Salem, Ill., on the 26th, the following officers were elected: President, J. W. Stanton, Riceville; vice-president, A. V. Sechermerhorn, Kinmundy; secretary-treasurer, E. G. Mendenhall, Kinmundy.

The federal court of Kansas City Mo., on the 23d, appointed E. R. Durham, United States marshal, receiver to adjust the affairs of T. F. B. Southam, the Hereford breeder of Chillicothe, Mo., who filed a petition in bankruptcy, giving his liabilities as over \$150,000.

Representative Hardwick, of Georgia, introduced a bill in congress, on the 24th, making it a misdemeanor, punishable by a minimum imprisonment of six months and a maximum of five years, to sell or in any way dispose of for gain political influence or to purchase the same.

Gustav Marks, who was arrested for the alleged murder of Detective Quinn, on the 21st, confessed to the Chicago police, on the 24th, that he was implicated in the car barn robbery, last August, during the perpetration of which two employees of the railway company were killed.

James Hiram Wilkinson, said to be the last survivor in the United States of the famous charge of the light brigade at Balaklava, died at his home in Waltham, Mass., on the 23d, aged 84 years. Wilkinson was the possessor of a Victorian medal presented to him personally by Queen Victoria.

Oberlin M. Carter, ex-captain of engineers, U. S. A., who has served three years' sentence within the walls of the United States penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., for embezzlement of government funds while in charge of construction work in Savannah harbor, and the man who has withstood doubt been the most prominent prisoner ever held within any prison in the United States, will be released on the 28th.

## TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

FIFTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

[A Special Session.]

Senate.—In the senate, on the 23d, Mr. Culom, from the committee on foreign relations, favorably reported the Cuban reciprocity bill, without amendment, and it was agreed to make it the regular order on December 7, the first day of the regular session, and to vote on it December 16. The committee on the legislative department, to investigate the charges of corruption, extravagance and violation of law in the administration of affairs of the post office department. Witnesses were called by the committee, military affairs which is investigating the conduct of Gen. Wood while stationed in Cuba, and the extra session before passing the Cuban reciprocity bill was argued by Mr. Cannon, after which the house adjourned.

Senate.—The Panama canal question was again the leading topic under consideration in the senate on the 23d. Mr. Morgan continued his review of the history of the efforts which have been made to secure the isthmian canal. The committee on military affairs again took up the case of Gen. Wood, nominated by the president during his administration of affairs in Cuba, and a few minutes later, the house adjourned.

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John K. Duke, defaulting cashier of the Royal Building & Loan association of Portsmouth, O., was found dead in bed, on the 27th, when the officers went to his home to take him to court to be sentenced. He had shot himself through the head.

The entire family of Frank Miller, consisting of himself, wife and two children, who lived at Bismarck, O., were mysteriously poisoned, on the 27th. All are dead.

Albert Briggs, a lawyer known throughout Illinois, died, on the 27th, of heart disease, at his home in Eureka, Ill.

Maj John Newton, of the Sixteenth infantry, who died at the general hospital of the Washington (D. C.) barracks, on the 24th, was buried, on the 27th, with military honors, in the national cemetery at Arlington, Va.

Alexander Garnett, who, on the 26th, fatally shot Maj. J. W. McClung, at San Francisco, is booked for murder. Garnett persists that the shooting was accidental.

A severe earthquake was felt at Cairo, Ill., on the 27th. It continued for several minutes, and was more pronounced than either of the shocks that were left on November 4.

Cars ran practically on the daily schedule of the Chicago City Railway lines, on the 27th, for the first time since the beginning of the strike, which was settled on the 25th.

J. H. Barrett, formerly general superintendent of the Chicago & Alton railroad, was appointed, on the 27th, general superintendent of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg railroad, with headquarters at Buffalo, N. Y., effective December 1.

Safe blowers railed the department store of Foy & Eckstein, at Savannah, Ga., early on the 27th, dynamited the safe and secured between \$1,700 and \$1,800. The store was situated in the heart of the principal shopping district, and three policemen were within calling distance all night, but the robbery was not discovered until daylight.

Gen. Thomas W. Scott, adjutant general of the state of Illinois, went to Washington, D. C., on the 25th, for the purpose of conferring with the officials regarding the reorganization of the national guard in conformity with the provisions of the Dick bill. He called at the White House, and paid his respects to the president.

The preliminary hearing of Secretary Oscar M. Carpenter and 11 other members of the Telluride (Col.) miners' union on charges of conspiring for the purpose of rioting and conspiracy to break the law was begun in that city, on the 28th, before Justice Robinson.

James H. Evans, a Canadian county, Okla., farmer, was found, on the 28th, murdered, his body lying between two rows of corn. The murderer shot Evans in the back while the farmer was shucking corn. He then took pains to leave Evans' team to the fence before leaving.

Edward Gould Richmond, one of the south leading capitalists and manufacturers, died at Chattanooga, Tenn., on the 28th, as the result of heart trouble. He was a son of Dean Richmond, who was the close friend and confederate of Samuel J. Tilden.

The Elkhart (Ind.) Paper Co., whose personnel is practically that of the defunct Indiana national bank of Elkhart, was placed in the hands of a receiver, on the 28th, by Judge Ferrall, in the petition of Samuel Winer, of Elkhart, a creditor.

Sir Mortimer Durand, the new British ambassador to the United States, arrived in this country, on the 28th, and proceeded to Washington, D. C., to present his credentials to the president and formally take charge of the British embassy.

Secretary Hay returned to Washington, D. C., on the 29th, from New York city, where he spent the Thanksgiving season with his daughter, Mrs. Payne Whitney.

Earl Rogers, of Fort Scott, Kas., accidentally shot and killed himself while hunting near Sapulpa, I. T., on the 28th.

The youthful self-confessed murderers and train robbers, Peter Neidermeyer, Harvey Van Dine, Gustav Marx and Emil Roesk, were arraigned in court at Chicago, on the 30th. Marx pleaded guilty to all the charges against him, but his three accomplices pleaded not guilty.

The circuit court of Hamilton, O., on the 30th, granted the motion for a stay of execution of the sentence of death passed upon Alfred A. Knapp for the murder of his wife. The execution was set for the 11th, and a stay was granted for 30 days.

Chief Henry J. Eaton, who had been at the head of the Hartford (Conn.) fire department since 1868, was formally retired, on the 30th. Chief Eaton was the oldest fire chief in the country in point of service, having entered the department in April, 1851.

John, William and George Reed, the only sons of Nellie Reed, a widow, broke through the ice on the Blackstone river, at Blackstone, Mass., on the 30th, and were drowned. The boys tried to cross the river to get some fire wood.

Two men were killed and one fatally injured in a collision between an east-bound freight and a work train on the Norfolk & Western road, east of Portsmouth, O., on the 30th. Both engines were demolished. Loss, \$40,000.

Alfred Olson, a stamp clerk in the Omaha (Nebr.) post office, was arrested, on the 30th, by a United States marshal and charged with embezzling government money. It was alleged that Olson's shortage would reach \$1,900.

Charles Theison, who was arrested for writing rambling letters to President Roosevelt, was declared insane, on the 30th, and transferred from the Bellevue (N. Y.) hospital to the Manhattan state hospital at Islip, L. I.

Mayor Weaver of Philadelphia, on the 30th, issued a call for a meeting of the citizens' permanent relief committee, to take action on the appeal for help from Butler, Pa., where an epidemic of typhoid fever prevails.

C. P. L. Butler, a well-known attorney of Columbus, O., committed suicide, on the 30th, by shooting himself in the head. His act was attributed to melancholia.

Fritz Trapp, an old German farm hand, was found frozen to death, early on the 30th, his body lying in a private road just across the river in Tazewell county, Ill.

## Missouri State Gleanings.

FOUR OVERCOME BY GAS.

Guests of a Kansas City Hotel Are Found Unconscious by the Porter.

Four persons, J. W. Ray, a miner of Acme, Ariz.; a woman, Mrs. A. E. Hamilton, of Chetopa, Kas., and her two children, were overcome by gas in their rooms at the Travelers' hotel, in Kansas City. One child, a boy four years old, is dead. Ray blew out the gas. He was found unconscious in his room, and later removed to the St. Joseph's hospital, after being treated at police headquarters by Dr. West. He is expected to recover.

Mrs. Hamilton and her child, two years of age, who survived the gas, were taken to the city hospital. They are also expected to recover. Shortly before midnight Mrs. Hamilton arrived at the Union depot from Chetopa, and asked one of the porters to show her where she might get a room for 50 cents. The porter took the woman and her children to the Travelers' hotel, across the street from the depot. There she was shown to her room. She did not register.

In the morning one of the porters heard a child crying in the room which the woman occupied. A few minutes later, when the child had not ceased to cry, the porter broke open the door. The room was filled with gas, which was flowing from an open gas jet. The window and the transoms were shut tightly, and the keyhole in the door was filled with paper. The body of the dead child lay on the edge of the bed. Across the body of child lay the woman, who was unconscious. The other child, which had been crying, was only partly overcome by the gas, and lay near its mother.

Shot His Playmate.

Felix Coleman, eight years old, who lived near Rock Bridge, eight miles south of Columbia, died from a gunshot wound inflicted by Bud Howell, 11 years old. The Howell and Coleman boys and two other children were in a house by themselves playing when the shooting occurred. Howell was the oldest of the four, and as the other three were the only witnesses, it was difficult to secure an accurate account of the affair. It is generally understood that Howell boy took a shotgun from the rack and fired point blank at the Coleman boy. After firing the shot he made no attempt to run away. The coroner held an inquest and returned a verdict that the boy came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted at the hands of Bud Howell. An attempt will be made to send the boy to a reform school. Several days before the Howell boy was a neighbor's house, and securing a gun, fired it at a crowd of children, but without hitting any of them. He is small for his age and is remarkably bright.

A Murder Mystery.

The farmers of the western part of Howell county, near the Douglas line, are much wrought up over the finding of a human skeleton half buried in the woods under a pile of brush and old leaves. There were ashes about, as if an attempt had been made to burn the body. Three distinct holes appear in the skull about the forehead. Doctors who have examined the skull are certain that the holes were made by bullets. There seems little doubt that a murder has been uncovered, but all is wrapped in deep mystery. Several persons who have seen the skeleton are of the opinion that it is that of John Gilbert, who disappeared mysteriously two years ago and has not been heard from since. It is known that he had a large sum of money on his person when he dropped out of sight, and that has always caused the belief that he was robbed and murdered.

Acquitted of Leading Mob.

Samuel Mitchell, charged with being implicated in the mob that hanged a negro, Thomas Gilyard, in Joplin last spring, was acquitted in the circuit court at Carthage. The jury was out only thirty minutes. Mitchell was tried for the crime last spring, convicted and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary but got a new trial. J. C. Seifried, one of the witnesses for the defense, was arrested for perjury shortly after he had testified in the Mitchell case at a point house south of Joplin at the time of the lynching, and it was his evidence that caused Mitchell's acquittal. He was arrested on information filed by the prosecuting attorney and taken before Judge Perkins, who fixed his bond at \$1,000.

Clarkburg Bank Robbed.

Robbers entered the Citizens' bank at Clarkburg and blew open the vault and safe, securing about \$2,000. Nitroglycerin was used, and the safe was completely demolished. It is supposed that three men did the job, and a reward of \$1,000 each is offered for the apprehension of the robbers.

Beautiful Autumn.

The dry weather has made the autumn season a most pleasant one. There has been no mud, but the roads have been quite dusty, one drawback.

Accidentally Shot.

While hunting rabbits with a party of friends, Charles Gudgell, of Independence, was accidentally shot in the leg and seriously wounded.

Encouraging Reports.

Reports from the country are encouraging. The farmers say the outlook for a good wheat crop next year is exceptionally good.

Killed by a Street Car.

Miss Juliette A. Shearman was struck by a street car in Kansas City and killed. The body was horribly crushed and mangled.

Succumbed to Heart Failure.

John Greenough, a well-known business man, and prominent in Masonic circles, died of heart failure at his home in St. Louis.

Y. M. C. A. Convention.

The twenty-seventh annual state convention of the Y. M. C. A. was held at Kirksville.

Thirty Deer Slaughtered.

Thirty deer, belonging to Judge Henry D. Laughlin, were slaughtered on his farm in St. Louis county, and the annual Thanksgiving deer chase did not take place. The killing was done by Clarence Campbell, foreman of the farm, under the judge's orders. It is said that the magnificent game preserves will also be destroyed and the land used for other purposes. The dead animals were drawn and quartered and distributed to the neighbors on the Lackland road, where the farm is situated, and they have since been enjoying venison dinners. No reason was assigned for the action. Among the judge's friends general regret was expressed over his action, as the Laughlin deer and game preserve were the most famous around St. Louis. There had been a deer chase from the farm every Thanksgiving for years. They were participated in by some of the leading society persons of St. Louis.

Kills Alaska Homing Pigeon.

While out hunting, Will Johnston, of Columbia, saw a strange bird overhead, flying as straight as an arrow toward the southeast. He fired, and a beautiful homing pigeon of unusual size and of peculiar bluish color fell to his feet. Around the neck of the bird was a silver band, on which was engraved these words: "For you alone, H. L. E. 12, Fort Selkirk, 1903." The bird was evidently from the Klondike region. It was of such unusual size and of such peculiar bluish color, that the bird authorities at Missouri university could not at first classify it, but reference to books clearly identified it as a carrier pigeon of the larger variety. The pigeon was perhaps highly valued, as the silver band was evidently manufactured and engraved for the purpose.

Resulted in Mistrial.

The Mills murder case resulted in a mistrial, at Jefferson City, and the jury was discharged. An important witness was a negro boy, a deaf mute, who can neither read nor write. A white mute, James Jarrett, was called in as an interpreter, and when the mute witness was placed on the stand the attorneys submitted their questions to Jarrett in writing. By the sign language he conveyed them to the witness, and in the same way received the replies. These were written out for the attorneys. No such manner of examining a witness has ever before occurred at Jefferson City.

Missouri Beef For London.

Roasts from Missouri steers will form an important part of the Christmas dinner of many Londoners. Three hundred and seventy-five head of fat cattle were recently shipped from Centralia. The cattle were shipped to Boston, where a prominent dealer bought them for the London Christmas trade. Starr Bros. received five cents a pound.

Who Whipped?

W. L. Bales, editor of the Hardin News, who had a little set-to with a Methodist preacher named Davis, said emphatically that he was not whipped. The preacher says that Editor Bales didn't whip him, and the sports of Hardin are hanging around the News office and the Methodist church, expecting to see another bout soon.

University Hall of Fame.

The corridor of the law building of the University of Missouri is to be made a hall of fame containing life-sized portraits of the leading English and American jurists. Among those already secured are: Lord Thurlow, Lord Coke and Lord Canning, of English fame; Story, Marshall, Kent, Shaw and Cooley, of America.

All the Dog's Fault.

Because two women named Toda owned a dog that barked at teams in Nevada, they are being sued for \$10,000 by Mrs. Estro Stronk. Mrs. Strong alleges that the dog frightened her husband's horses and caused him to be thrown from his wagon and killed. Strong was killed a few weeks ago near Richards.

Two Hurt by Same Machine.

Luther Long almost lost a hand while feeding a corn shredder at West Plains. His right hand was almost ground off in the machine. Several hours later George Smith, while feeding the same machine, got his hand caught, and it was mangled so badly that amputation was necessary.

Leaped From Train in Sleep.

A few days ago an unidentified man jumped through the vestibule door of a Frisco train near West Plains. He wandered to the home of a farmer and said he made the leap in his sleep, being a somnambulist. He gave his name as G. F. Hodley, of Lenoir, N. C. His injuries are slight.

Pumpkins for Pumpkin Seeds.

A Platte county farmer, who raised 2,000 pumpkins on one acre, split them all open and extracted the seeds, which he sold for \$50. The pumpkins were fed to the hogs.

Bond Issue Deferred.

The proposition to issue \$100,000 in bonds for the municipal ownership of a water and light plant was defeated by an overwhelming vote at Columbia.

Death of Samuel P. Huston.

Samuel P. Huston, former city counselor, and for many years attorney for the Burlington, died at St. Joseph at the age of 62 years.

A German Exhibit.

Germany will reproduce the castle of Charlottenburg at the St. Louis World's fair. Emperor William prepared the plans.

Soldier Finds Dead Body.

The body of an unidentified man, about 35 years old, was found near Jefferson barracks, in St. Louis county, by a soldier.

A Statue of Vulcan.

A statue of Vulcan will be at the World's fair. The statue will be of cold, iron and coke, and will be fifty feet in height.

Felt an Earthquake Shock.

A distinct and prolonged earthquake shock was felt by the citizens of Fredricktown.

## GEN. WOODOR MAJOR RUNCIE

President Will Withdraw Promotion If Charges Are Proved True.

Situation Has Become Such That Both Can Not With Honor Remain in the Service.

Washington, Nov. 30.—President Roosevelt said Saturday that if it could be proved that Gen. Wood had inspired the article written by Maj. James E. Runcie, criticizing Gen. Brooke, the nomination of Gen. Wood for promotion to be major-general would be withdrawn.

Gen. Wood, in his detailed defense of himself, filed with the war department, denied that he suggested that the article be written or that he knew anything about it until his attention was called to the publication, and declared that he was so shocked and surprised that he did not at first believe that his friend Runcie had written it, but thought his name had been wrongfully used in connection with the article.

In his testimony before the senate committee on military affairs, Maj. Runcie declared on oath that the article in question was planned at a dinner in Santiago at which Gen. Wood, Ray Stannard Baker and himself were present; that Gen. Wood asked him to write the article, and he had done so.

Ray Stannard Baker, the third person at the dinner, has been subpoenaed, and Maj. Gen. Brooke has been called to substantiate or disprove some of the statements in the article.

Upon Baker's testimony will depend whether Gen. Wood or Maj. Runcie, retired, shall leave the army in disgrace. The situation has become such that it is believed that both cannot with honor remain in the service.

Maj. Runcie, although on the retired list, is still amenable to military regulations, and can be court-martialed. Friends of each are wondering which one will be punished.

LIVE STOCK EXPOSITION.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—A record-breaking display of cattle, sheep and horses every evening as a showpiece will make the International Live Stock exposition, which opened Saturday at Union stock yards, continuing until December 5, an event to be remembered by cattle dealers all over the world. All the available space in the 65 acres of Dexter park, including the pavilion and a mammoth tent, 450 by 200 feet in dimensions will be utilized to provide accommodations for the 11,000 entries.

Crescent the trotting king, and Dan Patch, the champion pacer, are on exhibition, with about 400 other horses. A feature will be the reproduction of Rosa Banheur's famous picture, "The Horse Fair," with which the exhibition will open every evening.

MURDERED FOR FIVE CENTS.

Proprietor of a Chicago Restaurant Kills Customer Because He Was Five Cents Short.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Because he was short five cents in settling for his breakfast, Marcus Sheehan, a guard on the South Side elevated road, was shot and killed early Sunday by James Berganus, proprietor of a State street restaurant. Having ordered a meal, which he thought called for that amount of money, when he came to pay for the meal, however, he was told by Berganus that he owed 20 cents.

"That is all the money I have," said Sheehan. "I'll give you the other nickel this afternoon."

"You'll pay me now or you will never leave this house," said Berganus. Sheehan laughed and turned toward the door, but before he could reach it Berganus drew a revolver and without a word of warning fired. Sheehan was shot in the head and instantly killed.

Throwing Sheehan's body out upon the sidewalk, Berganus locked up the place and fled. He is still at large.

CLOSE UPON STRUBE'S TRACK.

Man Who Sold Murder Suspect's Buggy at Edina, Mo., Traced to Fort Madison, Ia.

Havana, Ill., Nov. 30.—Frank Strube, who is charged with the murder of Alice Henninger, is slowly but steadily being tracked.

Sheriff Brooker received word last night from Edina, Mo., that the buggy, which was sold by the young man, now supposed to be Strube, to John Daley, an Edina liveryman for \$50, has blood stains on the cushions of the seat and inside of the box, the curtains and on the foot railing.

It has also been ascertained that the man who sold the buggy purchased a ticket for Fort Madison, Ia., at Burlington, a station on the Santa Fe road, and Sheriff Brooker has gone to Fort Madison.